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REMARKS

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1. A train carrying troops and equipment passed through Neubrandenburg (N 54/U 66) at 1:15 p.m. on 8 August 1950. It came from the direction of Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) and was traveling in the direction of Guestrow (N 54/T 98). A telephone line connected all cars in the train.

The train included four boxcars carrying soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets; one boxcar believed to be loaded with rations; two flatcars carrying two guns covered with tarpaulins, both of approximately 20 mm caliber; and twenty flatcars carrying 22 trucks,

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2. A train of eight boxcars and several flatcars carrying trucks and 8 to 10 guns of about 20 mm caliber arrived in Neubrandenburg at 3:00 p.m. on 9 August 1950. It came from the direction of Neustrelitz and departed in the direction of Guestrow at 4 p.m. (2)

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3. A train arrived in Neubrandenburg from the direction of Guestrow at 2:15 p.m. on 10 August 1950. After a twenty minute stop, it departed in the direction of Pasewalk (N 54/Q 16). The train included twenty flatcars loaded with eighteen trucks and eight two-axle personnel carriers; two flatcars carrying two guns of about 20mm caliber, both covered with tarpaulins; seven boxcars loaded with soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets; and one gondola car loaded with a wheeled field kitchen. The personnel carriers, which were equipped with benches to seat from ten to twelve men each

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Four AA machine guns were mounted on some of the railroad cars. Thirteen machine guns were mounted on six of the trucks. Racks holding sixteen carbines each were seen in two boxcars. All cars in the train were connected by a telephone line. (3)

4. Only a few soldiers, believed to be recruits, were observed at the Panzerkaserne, Neubrandenburg, on 15 August 1950. The billeting area is east of the road to Neustrelitz. No other troops were seen in town. Trucks

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were at the Panzer Kaserne and in town. (4)

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5. About 500 soldiers from the See Kaserne and the airfield of Neuruppin boarded a train in Neuruppin on 16 August 1950. The train left between 7:15 and 7:30 p.m., allegedly in the direction of Neustadt (N 53/Z 18). It was noted that the soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets and that some wore artillery insignia. Other equipment loaded aboard the train included rocket launcher trucks [redacted] 23 heavy [redacted] truck 50X1-HUM  
mortars of 120 mm caliber; 60 trucks, including radio truck [redacted] truck 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] with field kitchen, trucks [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] and a jeep [redacted] (5)

6. A train composed of sixteen flatcars equipped with sideracks and seven box-cars was loaded at the Neuruppin railroad station on 16 August 1950. It was noted that the train carried rocket launchers [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] The shipment also included a radio truck from the Friedrich [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
Franz Kaserne; four 75-mm AT guns from the quarters on Junkerstrasse; trucks [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
truck [redacted] with field kitchen; trucks [redacted] loaded  
with baggage; and four ammunition trucks [redacted]  
[redacted] (5)

7. Four trucks marked with crossed gun barrels and coupled to mortars of 100 to 120-mm caliber were in the yard of the See Kaserne on 16 August 1950. Five or six other trucks and six other mortars were also seen. Three of the trucks [redacted] were attached to mortars [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] All trucks and mortars were ready to be loaded aboard trains.  
[redacted] (5)

## Comments.

- (1) [redacted] this was an element of the 2nd Gds AAA Div, probably en route to the Wustrow Peninsula from Potsdam.  
(2) Believed to be an AAA unit en route to the Wustrow Peninsula.  
[redacted] this was a component unit of the 1719th AAA Regt of the 9th Mecz Div. The train is believed to have come from Wustrow.

- (4) [redacted]  
[redacted] the Panzer Kaserne seemed to be almost vacant, although all windows were illuminated in the evening. [redacted] The motor vehicle [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
observed belonged to [redacted] the headquarters units of the Second Gds Mecz Army.  
[redacted] Since units from several 50X1-HUM  
billeting areas were on the train, they presumably were only small detach- 50X1-HUM  
ments leaving for a short field exercise. The motor vehicle [redacted] belong  
to [redacted] the 12th Gds Tank Div.

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